



WP9 – Current state of play

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WP9 TASKS AND GOALS



INNOVATIVE THERAPIES IN CANCER

1) **Map existing guidelines** and reference frameworks regarding the use of immunotherapies in clinical practices and identify potential off-label use

- Promote the proper use of these innovative treatments
- Spur coordination across institutions, professionals and Member States

2) Identify and validate predictive **biomarkers** for response, resistance or toxicity

• Better identification of responders or non responders

3) Predict impact of forthcoming innovative treatments with horizon scanning activities

• Anticipation of new therapies, their associated costs and their place in the therapeutic strategy

4) Identify tools that could be implemented in Europe for **real-life monitoring** of innovative treatments

• Provide guidance regarding the assessment of innovative therapies in real-life setting



WP9 SCOPE

- Innovative therapies against cancer
 - Focus on innovative immunotherapies

- Checkpoint inhibitors
- CAR-T cells •

OVERVIEW OF THE TYPES OF CANCERS FOR WHICH CHECKPOINT INHIBITORS AND CAR-T CELLS HAVE (AT LEAST) ONE APPROVED **THERAPEUTIC INDICATION IN THE EUROPEAN UNION (August 2018)**

	CHECKPOINT INHIBITORS				
	anti-CTLA-4	anti-PD-1		anti-PD-L1	
Cancer types*	lpilimumab (Yervoy®)	Nivolumab (Opdivo®)	Pembrolizumab (Keytruda®)	Avelumab (Bavencio®)	Atezolizumab (Tecentriq®)
Melanoma	2011	June-15	July-15		
Non-small cell lung cancer		Oct-15	Aug-16		Sept-17
Renal cell carcinoma		Apr-16			
Classical Hodgkin's lymphoma		Nov-16	May-17		
Squamous head and neck cancer		Apr-17			
Urothelial carcinoma		June-17	Aug-17		Sept-17
Merkel cell carcinoma				Sept-17	

	CAR-T CELLS		
Cancer types	Tisagenlecleucel (Kymriah [®])	Axicabtagene ciloleucel (Yescarta®)	
B-cell acute lymphoblastic leukaemia (ALL)	Aug-18		
large B-cell lymphoma	Aug-18	Aug-18	











WP9 – TASK 1

Clinical practice guidelines and reference frameworks related to the use of immunotherapies





STRUCTURE OF THE WORK FOR WP9 TASK 1: 3 MAIN QUESTIONS TO ANSWER



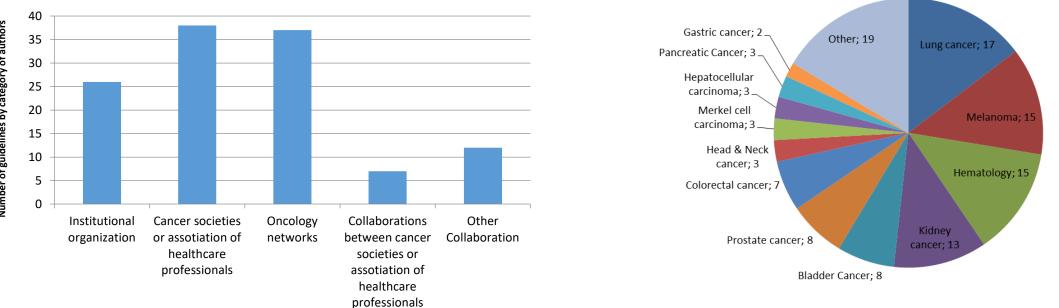
- 1. Innovative immunotherapies within clinical practice guidelines
 - Mapping of clinical practice guidelines
 - Place of innovative immunotherapies within guidelines
 - Off-label recommendations: why, from who, how?
- 2. Access to innovative immunotherapies and potential restrictions of use
 - Mapping of reference frameworks restricting the use of ITS (HTA opinion mainly)
 - Identification of restrictions of access (based on reimbursement)
 - Comparison of access to immunotherapies between European countries
- 3. Programs/Frameworks enabling early access to innovative immunotherapies for an unapproved indication
 - Mapping of programs/reference frameworks enabling early access to innovative immunotherapies for unapproved indication
 - Pros and cons of each program
 - Comparison of access between European countries



KEY RESULTS FROM TASK 1 – LITERATURE REVIEW



- Mapping of clinical practice guidelines positionning innovative immunotherapies published in French and in English
 - More than 120 clinical practice guidelines identified (FR + EN)



Distribution of clinical practice guidelines by type of authors

Distribution of clinical practice guidelines by localization



MAIN CONCLUSIONS FROM LITERATURE REVIEW



- Low visibility of national guidelines at the European level
 - Publication in local langage \rightarrow barrier langage
 - Only few are referenced in PubMed
- Place of innovative immunotherapies differs between guidelines
 - This could be explained by missing comparative data between several new therapies arriving at the same time on the market
- Hard to keep a document up-to-date in this fast evolving field
 - Need for more collaboration in Europe?
- Off-label recommandations identified
 - Mainly for small target groups (e.g. MSI-H tumors), or for indications already approved in other countries (e.g. USA)
- → To be further investigated with results from questionnaire addressed to clinical practice guidelines providers (ESMO, ASCO, AFU, ...)
- Examples of data which could be integrated into the Roadmap:
 list of clinical practice guideline providers (institutions, cancer societies, ...) with available website
 Methods suggested to speed up implementation of recommandations



KEY RESULTS FROM QUESTIONNAIRE 1

- To complete the literature review: 1 questionnaire to iPAAC partners to request information regarding:
 - Organizations writing/providing clinical practice guidelines in European countries;
 - The availability and accessibility of innovative immunotherapies in European countries, especially in terms of reimbursement;
 - Existing programs enabling early access to innovation therapies against cancer for unapproved indication.
- Austria, Netherlands

Completed by 23 countries between 16 Oct and 27 Nov 2018

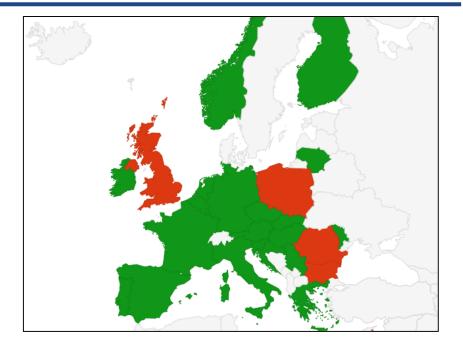
- 24 answers in total (2 from Spain, from different regions)

3 iPAAC associated countries missing :

2 additional countries participating:

Bulgaria, Poland, Romania









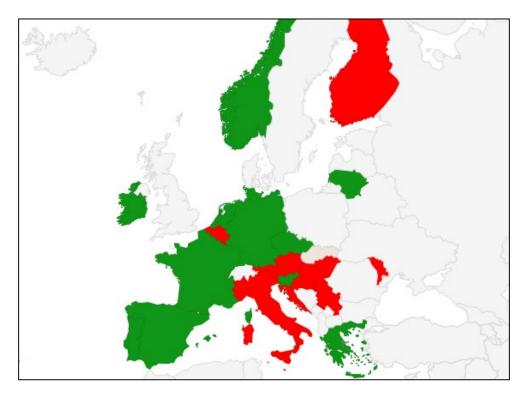
- All countries have at least one national or regional organization in charge of writing clinical practices guidelines related to oncology, **except Slovakia and Malta**.
- Most of the guidelines are written in **national language**.
- Some countries translate publications in English like Spain and Greece where respectively the Spanish and the Hellenic societies for medical oncology translate their guidelines in English. In other countries like Belgium, France, Germany, guidelines sometimes have related publication in scientific papers in English



PLACE OF INNOVATIVE IMMUNOTHERAPIES IN CPG



• Only half of the countries (12/23, 52%) have included innovative immunotherapies in the treatment strategy in at least one clinical practice guideline related to oncology



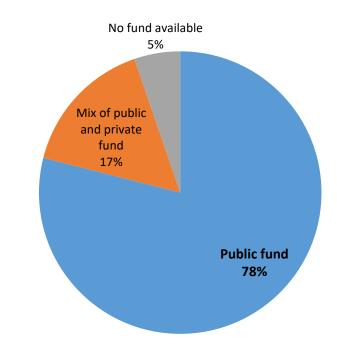
- First Marketing Authorization for checkpoint inhibitors is from 2011; nivolumab and pembrolizumab from 2015
 - → still quite a delay to implement these new therapies into clinical practice guidelines
 → Need to improve timelines for production and update of guidelines including innovative therapies



ACCESS AND FINANCING OF INNOVATIVE THERAPIES

- **iPAAC** INNOVATIVE PARTNERSHIP FOR ACTION AGAINST CANCER
- Most of the countries who participated to the questionnaire have a public fund available to finance these innovative immunotherapies
 - No fund available : Moldova
 - Mix of public and private:
 - Lithuania, Norway, Ireland

• In countries where there is a public fund available, there are no out-of-pocket costs for patients



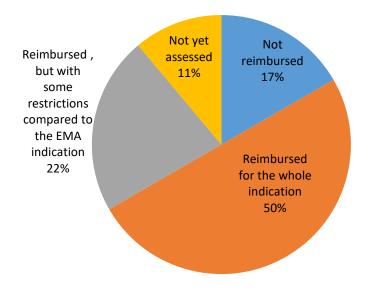


AVAILABILITY OF IMMUNOTHERAPIES IN TERMS OF REIMBURSEMENT - MELANOMA



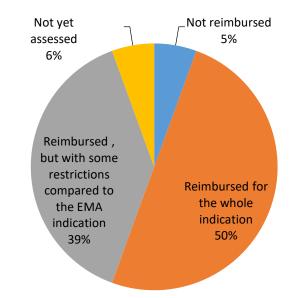
YERVOY (ipilimumab)

as monotherapy is indicated for the treatment of advanced (unresectable or metastatic) melanoma in adults, and adolescents 12 years of age and older



OPDIVO (nivolumab)

as monotherapy or in combination with ipilimumab is indicated for the treatment of advanced (unresectable or metastatic) melanoma in adults.

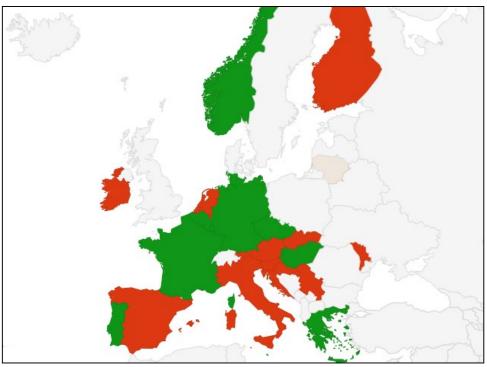


Exemples of reimbursement restriction: In Portugal, nivolumab is reimbursed for the treatment of unresectable or metastatic melanoma in adults **only for BRAF wild patients**, with ECOG 0 and 1 and no active brain metastasis





• About half of the countries (10/22, 45%) mentioned that they have an existing program enabling early access to innovation therapies against cancer (before marketing authorization or before extension of indication)



Note: N = 22 countries (no reply received from Lithuania on this topic)

➔ A Brief description of each early access program identified could be shared within the Roadmap



OPINION OF EUROPEAN STAKEHOLDERS ON ACCESS TO INNOVATIVE IMMUNOTHERAPIES

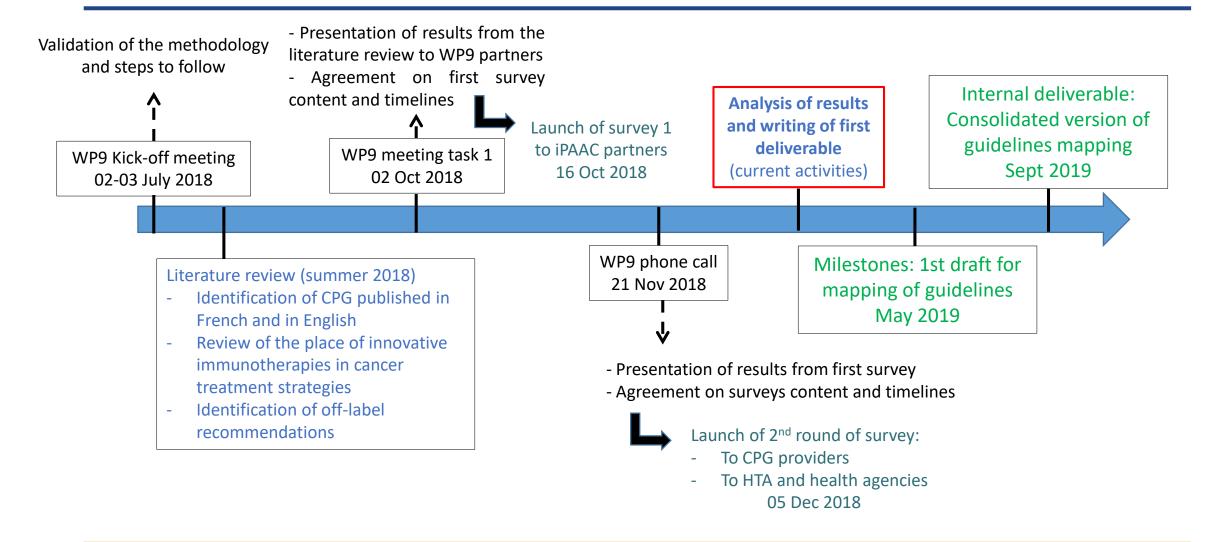


- This questionnaire will be distributed to:
 - HTA agencies
 - Health/medicine agencies
 - For some organizations, only the generic email address is available: it might be harder to get a reply: any additional contacts identified?
 - Patients
 - Through ECPC
 - Healthcare professionals
 - Cancer societies will receive the questions which are also included in the 1st questionnaire



TIMELINES / MILESTONES TASK 1













WP9 – TASK 2

Biomarkers









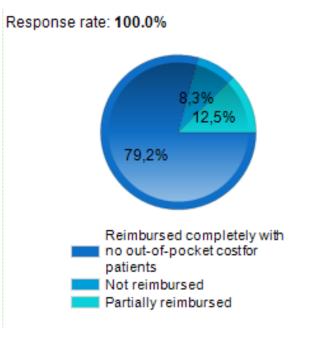
- Fully integrated in task 1 & 3
- For the next meeting planned on 06 March 2019
 - Summary of main biomarkers identified will be prepared
 - PD-L1 expression
 - MSI-H
 - TMB
 - BRAF status (conditioning the potential presciption of some anti-PD-1)



REIMBURSEMENT OF BIOMARKER EXPRESSION TESTS



• When the prescriptions of immunotherapies are conditioned by the prerequisite of a specific biomarker expression, is the molecular test to assess the biomarker reimbursed in your country?



Note: For Spain, the reimbursement might varies depending on the region









WP9 – TASK 3

Horizon Scanning Activities





TASK 3 – STATE OF WORK

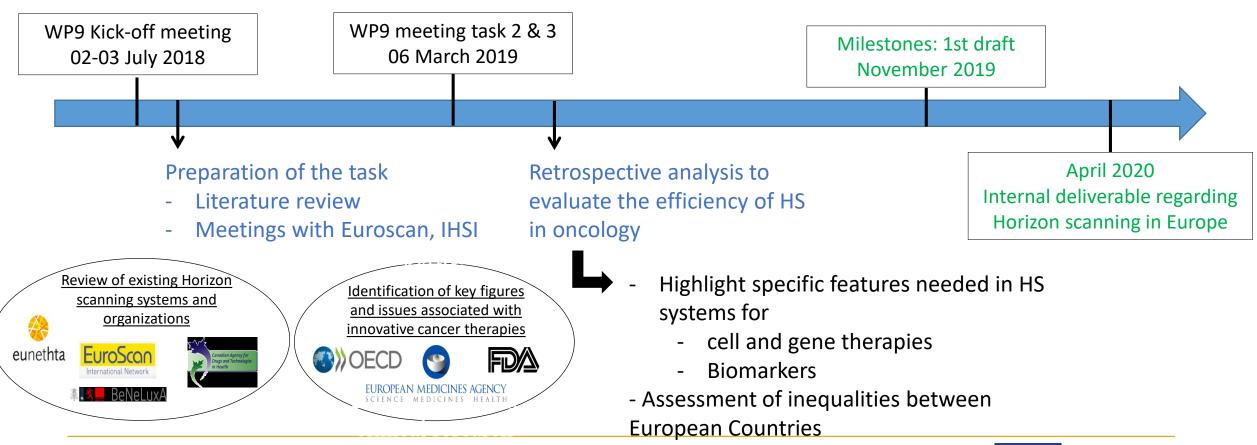


- Preparation of the next meeting: 06 March 2019 in Brussels
 - Important organizations involved in Horizon scanning activities will be represented:
 - HS networks: Euroscan and IHSI/BeNeLuxA
 - NICE
 - Ludwig Boltzmann institute from Austria
 - EUnetHTA (?)
 - The aim of this meeting will be to:
 - Agree on the content and steps to follow for the retrospective analysis
 - Panel discussion around collaborations in this field and how to limit inequalities in Europe



TIMELINES / MILESTONES TASK 3













WP9 – TASK 4

Real-life monitoring of innovative immunotherapies







Any questions/suggestions?



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